

Sol Feinstone Elementary School
PTO Meeting
January 3, 2008

Executive Board Members in Attendance: Ellen Petri, Melissa Wilson, Mary Copperthwaite, Aileen McQuarrie, Kristin Meranda

Call to Order: Ellen Petri called the meeting to order at 9:19 a.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Principal's Report, Mrs. Pladsen:

Council Rock Education Week begins January 14th. Classroom observations are available on Monday – Wednesday, and there will be informational workshops for parents on Friday. Detailed information is available on the school website.

Mrs. Durkin led a group of twelve 4th graders in demonstrating a science experience being conducted in the 4th grade classrooms studying the effect land and water have on each other.

President's Report, Ellen Petri:

Ellen encouraged parents to start thinking about the role they would like to play in the PTO next year. Committee descriptions are available on the PTO website (www.sfpto.com).

Secretary's Report, Kristin Meranda:

Kim Gibbons made a motion to approve the minutes from December 2007. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report, Mary Copperthwaite:

Mary reviewed the January Treasurer's Report. Market Day has already made their projected income for the year, the cash back program continues to grow, and Secret Shop netted \$998.48.

Beth Wetterskog made a motion to approve the Report. Motion passed.

Committee Reports

Family Activities – Ellen Petri for Jennifer Ceslak: Upcoming events include Roller Skating on January 15th, Mother/Son Bowling on February 10th, and the Father/Daughter Dance on February 29th. Information about each of the events is available on the PTO website.

Welcome Committee – Kristin Meranda for Tanja Sendak: The Welcome Committee needs several volunteers to help with compiling New Family Packets and

planning the New Student Orientation and New Family Teas. Please contact Tanja if you are interested.

Fundraising – Ellen Petri for Cari Grundman: Volunteers are needed to help sell lollipops the week of February 11th.

Publishing – Lisa Gunshenan: Lisa reviewed some changes being made to the publishing process this year. The Committee will publish one book per student. Grades K-3 will be published in April and grades 4-6 in May. Instead of an Author Celebration, each student will share their published book with their Family Group in June.

School Spirit – Clancy Strobel: Holly Gross is moving, so a new Co-Chair is needed. Contact Clancy or Ellen Petri if you are interested.

Market Day – Clancy Strobel: There are 25 extra boxes of cookie dough available for sale.

Hospitality – Danielle Portnoy: Volunteers are needed to bring fruit, baked goods and sweets on January 14th, 15th and 16th.

Yearbook – Tom DeLorenzo: Tom encouraged parents to submit pictures for the yearbook. Please check with him if you are unsure of the technical requirements. Deadlines are typically 10 days after an event. Discs should be placed in his box in the school office.

Diversity – Kim Gibbons: The Diversity Committee has a series of events planned for each grade level. Representatives from SAGE will be reading to grades K -1. 2nd and 4th graders will hear from people who have lived or traveled in other countries. 3rd grade will learn about the Special Olympics and have a presentation from Kids on the Block. 5th grade will listen to an African American Revolutionary Soldier Reenactor. 6th grade will be visited by a Holocaust Survivor. In addition, International Day is January 25th and will be celebrating the country of Mexico.

New Business

Volunteers are needed for Art Goes to School.

Announcements

There will be another Half Day Hoagie Sale on February 15th.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:28.

Respectfully submitted,
Kristin Meranda
Secretary, Sol Feinstone PTO